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In Re Application of:

J. Morando

For:

ALLOY COMPOSITION
SUITABLE FOR MOLTEN
MAGNESIUM ENVIRONMENTS

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in Response to the Final Official Action dated May 22, 2002.

This Response is being filed prior to the expiration of two months from the date of the Office Action. A Notice of Appeal is being filed concurrently with this response.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

28. (Amended) A component of equipment formed from an alloy comprising iron, chromium, molybdenum, vanadium, niobium, cobalt, and tungsten, and at least one of boron and carbon, the alloy being substantially free of sulfur and phosphorus, wherein the component of equipment is suitable for use in molten melts which include